

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & HUMAN SERVICES

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EDUCATION

Grant: LRNG Innovators Challenge

Purpose: To challenge teachers to develop partnerships and programs that connect in-school and out-of-school learning

Funder: LRNG Innovators (an effort originally launched through a partnership between John Legend's Show Me Campaign and the National Writing Project)

Eligibility: Schools that are currently open with enrolled students; applications from afterschool programs are welcome as long as there is an in-school component

Deadline: January 13

Amount: \$20,000

Contact: <http://educatorinnovator.org/lrng2015/>

Grant: Education Research Projects

Purpose: To fund academic work that contributes to the improvement of education. Examples of previously funded projects include an experimental study of how college students use visual representations in solving math problems; a study exploring the process of racial and rural identity formation among African-American high-school students who attend de facto segregated schools in the rural South; and a mixed-methods study focused on the different types of knowledge novice and experienced teachers draw on in teaching reading comprehension.

Funder: Spencer Foundation

Eligibility: Principal investigators and co-PIs must have an earned doctorate in an academic discipline or professional field, or appropriate experience in an education research-related profession. In addition, the PI must be affiliated with a college, university, school district, nonprofit research facility, or nonprofit cultural institution that is willing to serve as the fiscal agent.

Deadline: February 1

Amount: Up to \$50,000

Contact: <http://www.spencer.org/small-research-grants-application-guidelines>

Grant: Student Achievement Grants

Purpose: To improve the academic achievement of students in U.S. public schools and public institutions of higher education in any subject area. The proposed work should engage students in critical thinking and problem solving, and deepen their knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work also should improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection.

Funder: NEA Foundation

Eligibility: Applicants must be a practicing U.S. public school educator in grades pre-K-12, a public school education support professional, or a faculty/staff member at a public institution of higher education. The foundation especially encourages grant applications from teachers with less than seven years of experience in the profession and education support professionals. Preference will be given to members of the National Education Association.

Deadline: February 1, June 1, October 15

Amount: Either \$2,000 or \$5,000

Contact: <https://www.neafoundation.org/pages/nea-student-achievement-grants/>

Grant: Education Talent Search Program

Purpose: To identify qualified individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds with potential for education at the postsecondary level, and encourage them to complete secondary school and undertake postsecondary

education. Talent Search projects publicize the availability of, and facilitate the application for, financial assistance for persons who seek to pursue postsecondary education, and encourage persons who have not completed programs at the secondary or postsecondary level to enter/reenter and graduate.

Funder: U.S. Department of Education

Eligibility: Institutions of higher education, public and private agencies, and organizations (including community-based organizations with experience in serving disadvantaged youth); combinations of such institutions, agencies and organizations, and secondary schools

Deadline: February 5

Amount: 451 awards of \$230,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=280664>

Grant: Women and Mathematics

Purpose: To support projects designed to encourage college and university women or high school and middle school girls to study mathematics. The program's goals are to encourage college and university mathematics faculty to develop projects to increase participation of women in mathematics. Projects might include organizing a club for women interested in mathematics and science; creating a network of female professional mentors to direct mathematics projects for girls; bringing high school women to a college campus for a Mathematics Day; and establishing a program for high school or college women to mentor younger female students with mathematics projects or clubs.

Funder: Tensor Foundation and Mathematical Association of America

Eligibility: College, university, and secondary mathematics faculty (in conjunction with college or university faculty) and their departments and institutions

Deadline: February 12

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Contact: <http://www.maa.org/programs/maa-grants/women-and-mathematics-grants>

Grant: Strengthening Underrepresented Minority Mathematics Achievement

Purpose: To support projects designed to encourage the pursuit and enjoyment of mathematics by students who are members of groups historically underrepresented in the field. Projects may be designed for middle school students, high school students, or college/university students. Eligible projects must provide enrichment activities that involve students actively doing mathematics. Mentoring is encouraged and undergraduate and graduate students may serve as role models and work directly with middle and high school students under the tutelage of faculty from both the college/university and middle/high school.

Funder: Tensor Foundation and Mathematical Association of America

Eligibility: College/university mathematics or science faculty may submit proposals. Mathematical sciences faculty should be integrally involved in the proposed project. If the project includes high school or middle school participants, collaboration with high school or middle school mathematics faculty should be included.

Deadline: February 12

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Contact: <http://www.maa.org/programs/maa-grants/tensor-summa-grants>

Grant: STEM+Computing Partnerships

Purpose: To significantly enhance the learning and teaching of science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), and computing by K-12 students and teachers through research on and development of courses, curriculum, course materials, pedagogies, instructional strategies, models, or pedagogical environments that innovatively integrate computing into one or more other STEM disciplines, or integrate STEM content into the teaching and learning of computing.

Funder: National Science Foundation

Eligibility: Unrestricted

Deadline: March 28

Amount: 37 awards of \$250,000 - \$2,500,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=280779>

YOUTH WELL-BEING

Grant: National Youth Leadership Initiative Grants

Purpose: To enhance the efforts of the Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program by engaging youth to become involved in coalition work and be substance abuse prevention leaders within their communities

Funder: Office of National Drug Control Policy

Eligibility: 501(c)(3) nonprofits other than institutions of higher education

Deadline: January 19

Amount: One cooperative agreement for \$200,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=280680>

Grant: Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force National Training Program

Purpose: To identify training providers to serve the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program. The state and regional ICAC task forces work collaboratively as a national network of law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies that prevent, interdict, and investigate technology-facilitated child sexual exploitation and Internet crimes against children.

Funder: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, small businesses, private institutions of higher education, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, for profit organizations

Deadline: March 1

Amount: Three grants of \$500,000 - \$1,100,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=280695>

Grant: Regional Children Advocacy Center Programs

Purpose: Children's advocacy centers provide a coordinated response to victims of child abuse through multidisciplinary teams comprised of representatives from community agencies and professionals involved with intervention, prevention, prosecution, and investigation systems that respond to child abuse cases. The program objectives of a CAC are to assist communities in developing child-focused, community-oriented, facility-based programs to improve the resources available to child victims and families; provide support for non-offending family members; enhance coordination among community agencies and professionals involved in the intervention, prevention, prosecution, and investigation systems that respond to child abuse cases; and train physicians and other healthcare and mental healthcare professionals in the multidisciplinary approach to child abuse. The program will support four regional centers, one situated within each of the four U.S. Census regions.

Funder: Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention

Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS (other than institutions of higher education), for profit organizations other than small businesses, small businesses

Deadline: March 7

Amount: Four awards of \$1,250,000 - \$5,000,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=280754>

Grant: Girls in the Juvenile Justice System

Purpose: To develop and widely disseminate resources, including information on how to assess state and local justice system decisions and processes, and their impact on girls and young women; host roundtables and other regular gatherings to bring together state and tribal juvenile justice stakeholders, state advisory group representatives, practitioners, advocates, researchers, and diverse experts from around the country to promote greater understanding of girls and young women in the juvenile justice system, foster collaboration, and identify priorities and gaps (including those in data collection); and provide training and technical assistance to support state, tribal, and local girls' coalitions, alliances, and collaborative efforts.

Funder: Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention

Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, private institutions of higher education, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, for-profit organizations other than small businesses

Deadline: March 8

Amount: One award of \$750,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=280769>

Grant: Youth Baseball and Softball Programs

Purpose: To finance a new program, expand or improve an existing program, undertake a new collaborative effort, or obtain facilities or equipment necessary for youth baseball or softball programs

Funder: Baseball Tomorrow Fund

Eligibility: U.S.-based or international nonprofit and tax-exempt organizations involved in the operation of youth baseball and/or softball programs and facilities

Deadline: April 1

Amount: \$40,000

Contact: http://web.mlbcommunity.org/programs/baseball_tomorrow_fund.jsp?content=overview

FAMILIES

Grant: Family Drug Court Training and Technical Assistance

Purpose: To support training and technical assistance to help states, state courts, local courts, units of local government, and tribal governments develop, maintain, and enhance drug courts for substance-abusing adults who are involved with the family court due to child abuse and/or neglect issues

Funder: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations (including faith-based, community, and tribal nonprofit organizations), for-profit organizations (including tribal for-profit organizations), and institutions of higher education (including tribal institutions of higher education).

Deadline: January 19

Amount: One cooperative agreement for as much as \$1 million for a 12-month project period

Contact:

http://www.ojjdp.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2016/FamilyDrugCourtTTA.pdf?utm_source=DynamicsMarketing&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=JUVJUST_FamilyDrugCourtTTA_Funding_120915&ed2f26df2d9c416fbddddd2330a778c6=uqqaftwmbm-ujmgimmd

Grant: Sexual Assault Services Culturally Specific Program

Purpose: To create, maintain, and expand sustainable sexual assault services provided by organizations uniquely situated to respond to victims within culturally specific populations

Funder: Office on Violence Against Women

Eligibility: 501(c)(3) nonprofits, other than institutions of higher education

Deadline: February 2

Amount: 9 awards of \$300,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=280425>

Grant: Programs which Strengthen Relationships Between Young Fathers, Young Mothers, and Their Children

Purpose: To support the successful transition for young fathers and mothers as they return to their families and communities from detention, out-of-home placement or incarceration. This program will fund coordinated and comprehensive strategies that incorporate mentoring and transitional reentry services proven to reduce recidivism; effective parenting skills development and parent/child relationship engagement for young fathers or mothers; and private and community service partnerships that promote public safety and support added positive outcomes for young parents and their children.

Funder: Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations (including faith-based, tribal, and community nonprofit organizations) and federally recognized Indian tribes, as determined by the Secretary of the Interior

Deadline: March 3

Amount: Eight awards of up to \$350,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=280681>

Grant: World Hunger Leadership Challenge

Purpose: To encourage middle and high school students to hone their leadership skills by completing a service-learning project that addresses hunger or other community need. Each team must create and execute a service learning project to raise awareness of world hunger by setting a goal that attempts to solve a local, statewide, or national hunger-related issue. Each entry must include a written summary or video overview of the project and quantifiable results (i.e., number of meals served, cans collected, Facebook “likes,” etc.).

Funder: Lead2Feed Challenge (created by the Foundation for Impact on Literacy and Learning)

Eligibility: Teams of students in grades 7 to 12 in a public, private, or charter middle school or high school are invited to enter the challenge. Each team must comprise at least three students and a sponsoring teacher or adult advisor. Students must be a legal resident of the United States or Guam, a full-time student between the ages of 13 and 18, and a member of a local club or service organization such as the Boys & Girls club or a scout troop.

Deadline: April 8

Amount: First-, second-, and third-place prizes of \$25,000, \$5,000, and \$1,000, respectively, (total amount of up to \$275,000)

Contact: <http://www.lead2feed.org/how-to-participate/project-submission-rules/>

Grant: Domestic Violence Safe Housing

Purpose: To support the creation of space on site to temporarily house the pets of victims of domestic violence

Funder: RedRover

Eligibility: 501(c)(3) organizations and agencies with a primary mission of sheltering victims of domestic violence

Deadline: May 15

Amount: Up to \$6,000

Contact: <https://redrover.org/node/1099>

COMMUNITIES

Grant: Women-Led Projects

Purpose: To fund projects that promote gender, racial, and/or economic justice that are designed and implemented by women and girls; reflect the diversity of the community served by the project in both its leadership and organization; promote building community power; and have limited financial access or have encountered obstacles in their search for funding

Funder: Open Meadows Foundation

Eligibility: Projects must be led by and benefit women and girls, particularly those from vulnerable communities; small and start-up organizations are strongly encouraged to apply. In addition, the annual organizational budget should not exceed \$150,000.

Deadline: February 15

Amount: \$2,000

Contact: <https://sites.google.com/site/openmeadowsfoundation/>

Grant: Fund for a Just Society

Purpose: To support community organizing campaigns aimed at creating systemic change in the economic, social, and political structures that affect the lives of those who have been excluded from resources, power, and the right to determination

Funder: Unitarian Universality Association of Congregations

Eligibility: Applicants must be a non-Unitarian Universalist group in the U.S. or Canada that uses community organizing to bring about systemic change leading to a more just society and mobilizes those who have been disenfranchised and excluded from resources, power, and the right to self-determination.

Deadline: March 15

Amount: Maximum grant award is \$15,000; most grants will range between \$6,000 and \$8,000

Contact: <http://www.uufunding.org/fund-for-a-just-society.html>

Grant: Signature Employment Grants

Purpose: To support new pilot initiatives, demonstration projects, or social ventures that lead to the generation of new ideas aimed at solving the unemployment and underemployment of individuals with disabilities

Funder: Kessler Foundation

Eligibility: Nonprofit agencies, public or private schools, and public institutions such as universities and government agencies (state, local, federal) based in the United States or any of its territories

Deadline: Concept Applications due March 18

Amount: Up to \$500,000 over two years

Contact: <http://kesslerfoundation.org/grantprograms/signatureemploymentgrants.php>

Grant: Impact Software Grants

Purpose: To support a select group of nonprofits that can effectively leverage learning and development technology in innovative and tangible ways

Funder: Cornerstone OnDemand Foundation

Eligibility: Applicants must be a 501(c)(3) organization; have an existing training initiative that requires a technology solution in order to effectively scale; have a clearly articulated vision or plan for expansion of the program; and be able to demonstrate executive support for the program and a financial commitment in years three to five

Deadline: March 18

Amount: Grantees receive a two-year donation of Cornerstone OnDemand software and services, including unlimited use of its Learning Management System (LMS) and access to a range of pro bono business consulting services. While an LMS is often used to support the learning and development of an organization's internal employees, the focus of the Impact Grant program is to enable nonprofits to leverage the technology to better reach, train, and prepare their external networks (i.e., the individuals and communities they serve).

Contact: https://www.cornerstoneondemand.org/impact-grant?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRomrfCcI63Em2iQPJWpsrB0B%2FDC18kX3RUtI7Scbwfind1SFJk7a8C6XFJHRd1R5D4VTbHB

Grant: Social & Environmental Justice Projects

Purpose: To further social and environmental justice and support sustainable and just-food systems

Funder: Ben & Jerry's Foundation

Eligibility: Grassroots, constituent-led organizations with annual budgets under \$500,000 that are using direct action, grassroots, and community-organizing strategies to accomplish their goals

Deadline: April 15 (pre-applications)

Amount: Up to \$20,000; grants can be used to support either programming or operational costs

Contact: <http://benandjerrysfoundation.org/the-grassroots-organizing-for-social-change-program/>

THE ARTS

Grant: Mary Lou Anderson Reflections Arts Enhancement

Purpose: To support in-school and after-school arts enhancement programs. Grants may be used to establish or enhance arts programs in one or more of the following categories: dance choreography, film production, literature, music composition, photography and visual arts.

Funder: National Parent Teacher Association

Eligibility: PTAs in good standing, as determined by their State PTA. PTAs serving at-risk student populations are particularly encouraged to apply. Specifically, National PTA will fund arts projects that reach large numbers of students at risk due to financial, familial, health, behavioral, social, environmental, or other community conditions.

Deadline: March 11

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Contact: <http://www.pta.org/members/content.cfm?ItemNumber=3101>

Grant: Community Arts Projects

Purpose: To support primarily small and mid-sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations -- those whose opportunities to experience the arts are limited by geography, ethnicity, economics, or disability. Age alone (e.g., youth, seniors) does not qualify a group as underserved; at least one of the underserved characteristics noted above also must be present. Grants are available for professional arts programming and for projects that emphasize the potential of the arts in community development.

Funder: The National Endowment for the Arts

Eligibility: Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, independent school districts, private institutions of higher education, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, city or township governments, state governments, county governments, special district governments, native American tribal governments (federally recognized)

Deadline: April 14

Amount: \$10,000

Contact: <http://www.grants.gov/custom/viewOppDetails.jsp?oppId=280532>

HEALTH

Grant: Community Health Programs

Purpose: Planning and Implementation Grants will be awarded to plan innovative community-based child health initiatives designed to ensure that all children have medical homes and access to healthcare services not otherwise available in their community. Priority will be given to projects that serve communities with the greatest health disparities. Outreach must be to the community at large rather than practice or clinic patients only, and all initiatives should incorporate screening for or connect children to medical homes and available insurance programs. Resident Grants will be awarded to plan and/or implement community-based child health initiatives. The primary focus of Resident Grants by the Section on Obesity is to reduce the prevalence of childhood obesity and promote healthy active living.

Funder: Community Access to Child Health (a program of the American Academy of Pediatrics)

Eligibility: Individual pediatricians and fellowship trainees are eligible for Planning and Implementation Grants; pediatric residents are eligible for Resident Grants

Deadline: January 29

Amount: Up to \$10,000 for Planning and Implementation Grants; up to \$2,000 for Resident Grants

Contact: <http://www2.aap.org/catch/funding.htm>

Grant: Health Leadership Initiatives

Purpose: To develop new strategies for increasing and leveraging private and public investments aimed at accelerating improvements in neighborhoods facing the biggest barriers to better health

Funder: Invest Health (a collaboration between Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Reinvestment Fund)

Eligibility: Teams from mid-sized cities (i.e., with populations between 50,000 and 400,000) across the United States or its territories are invited to apply. Teams from each applicant city must include five cross-sector leaders representing, at a minimum, the public sector, community development/finance, and an academic or health-related anchor institution. The remaining team members should be drawn from sectors appropriate to the challenge the team seeks to address. Invest Health grants are restricted to seven hundred and fifty-six cities in the U.S.; Alexandria is eligible.

Deadline: January 29

Amount: Up to fifty cities will be selected to receive a grant award of up to \$60,000 along with access to highly skilled faculty advisors and coaches, an invitation to participate in a series of colloquia designed to provide substantial guidance, and participation in a vibrant professional learning community.

Contact: <http://www.investhealth.org/>

Grant: Social, Economic and Political Effects of Affordable Care Act

Purpose: To fund analyses that address important questions about the effects of the reform on outcomes such as financial security and family economic well-being, labor supply and demand, participation in other public programs, family and children's outcomes, immigrant outcomes, and differential effects by age, race, ethnicity, nativity, or disability status. Research that examines the political effects of the implementation of the new law, including changes in views about government, support for future government policy changes, and impact on policy development outside of health care is also of interest. Funding is available for secondary analysis of data or for original data collection. Projects that propose novel uses of existing data or analysis of newly available or underutilized data are welcomed.

Funder: Russell Sage Foundation

Eligibility: Not specified

Deadline: Letters of Inquiry are due March 30

Amount: Up to \$150,000 for a two-year period; Presidential Awards with a maximum budget of \$35,000 are also allowed

Contact: <http://www.russellsage.org/research/funding/affordable-care-act>

Grant: The Role of Healthcare and Insurance in Improving Outcomes in Cancer Prevention

Purpose: To fund studies investigating how one or more factors affecting access and outcomes interact -- including insurance status, cost, capacity, personal characteristics, provider characteristics, components of the healthcare delivery system, and other known factors. Studies may be at the state, multi-state, or national level, or otherwise involve large populations.

Funder: American Cancer Society

Eligibility: Applicants must be affiliated with a nonprofit institution located in the United States, one of its territories, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Applicants also must be a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national, or permanent resident of the United States. Independent investigators at all stages of their career are encouraged to apply.

Deadline: April 1

Amount: Not to exceed \$200,000 per year for up to five years

Contact: <http://www.cancer.org/research/applyforaresearchgrant/granttypes/rfa-role-healthcare-insurance-cancer>

ENVIRONMENT

Grant: Chesapeake Bay Green Street-Green Jobs-Green Towns

Purpose: To provide design and implementation funds for projects that enhance green spaces in communities, including efforts to implement urban green stormwater practices, increase urban tree canopy, and replace paved surfaces with more permeable materials. One type of project that can include all three of these practices and increase a community's sustainability is the "green street."

Funder: Chesapeake Bay Trust

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, community associations, and faith-based organizations anywhere in the Chesapeake Bay watershed portion of EPA Region 3 (excluding New York) and all of Maryland

Deadline: March 3

Amount: Up to \$30,000 for design projects, \$75,000 for implementation projects, \$20,000 for white papers

Contact:

http://www.cbtrust.org/site/c.mijPKXPCJnH/b.7735695/k.5E92/Green_Streets_Green_Jobs_Green_Towns.htm